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VOICE FROM
HEAVEN"



MATT. 28:19

The Church of God Evangel



MARK. 16:15

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GOD'S LOVE

THE
PILLAR

TRUST HIM

"If we could see beyond today
As God can see;
If all the clouds should roll away,
The shadows flee;
O'er present griefs we would not fret.
Each sorrow we would soon forget,
For many joys are awaiting yet
For you and me.

"If we could know beyond today
As God doth know,
Why dearest treasures pass away
And tears must flow;
And why the darkness leads to light,
Why dreary paths will soon grow bright;
Some day life's wrongs will be made right,
Faith tells us so.

"If we could see, if we could know,
We often say,
But God in love a veil doth throw
Across our way;
We cannot see what lies before,
And so we cling to Him the more,
He leads us till this life is o'er;
Trust and obey."

THE GROUND OF



"Hast thou seen the treasures of the hail, which I have reserved
against the time of trouble, against the day of battle and war?"
Job 38:22, 23.

EPH. 2:20

1 TIM. 3:15

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Notices

Special Notice

Ministers who set churches in order should notify the overseers, who in turn will report same to headquarters.—J. H. Walker, General Overseer.

In Regard to Pledge Cards

All the evangelistic pledge cards have been mailed to those who sent pledges in, but it may be that some of them have been lost in the mail. If you have not received yours, you may write us, and we shall be glad to mail another one to you.—J. H. Walker, General Overseer.

Due to gas and tire rationing and other restrictions which directly affect the applicants to the Pennsylvania Bible School, it has been decided to postpone the school for the duration. We regret this, but it makes up part of the sacrifice necessary due to the war.—Paul H. Walker, overseer of Pennsylvania.

Camp Meeting Announcement

The annual Church of God camp meeting at Washington, N. C., will convene August 13-23. A most glorious camp meeting is anticipated this year. Various visiting ministers will be speaking during the day services. Brother M. M. Mortenson will again be our evening speaker this year.

There are camp cabins on the grounds, also a restaurant will be open to furnish meals and refreshments. Make plans now to attend this camp meeting at our lovely campground. Don't forget the date.—Yours for a God-approved camp meeting, C. R. Rogers, chairman of campground board, Washington, N. C.

The Iowa state camp meeting will convene at Knoxville, Iowa, July 2-12, the convention being July 10-12. Make your plans now to come and enjoy this great feast. Spend the Fourth in the service of the Lord. We have secured the beautiful oak park one mile west of the city of Knoxville. There is plenty of shade and camping space for your trailer and tents. If you desire to rent a tent for the duration of the camp meeting, you can do so for the small sum of \$3.50 for a 10x12; \$4.50 for a 12x14; cots 50c. If you desire a tent, please write Rev. Ancel Newton, Knoxville, Iowa, so we can have it here for you when you arrive. Meals will be served as last year—two meals a day on freewill offerings. Your evening dinner can be purchased on the campground at a reasonable price.

We will be looking for you; you cannot afford to miss this glorious event. Rev. Earl P. Paulk, Second Assistant General Overseer, will be the principal speaker, and such notable preachers as Houston R. Morehead, overseer of Missouri, Rev. Wilma Henry, overseer of Kansas and Nebraska, Rev. D. A. Biggs, of Leadwood, Mo., Rev. D. E. Boatwright and O. C. Ballard, of Ohio, and many others, with all the good preachers of the State of Iowa. We can feel the glory of it now, so meet the great host of July 2.—Your brother, J. L. Goins, overseer of Iowa.

The Indiana state convention will convene June 12-14 at Shelburn, Ind. We are extending a special invitation to all who are in reach of this convention to be sure to attend this great feast. We are expecting a number of out-of-state visitors. Come on and be with us. We are making plans to take care of our delegates free, so all it will cost you is the trip to get there. We want all the ministers and laity as well. If you plan to attend, please write Brother C. H. Standifer, Shelburn, Ind., and tell him how many will be in your party, for this will help in getting beds for you. Do this at once for our time is short. We are expecting a great time in the Lord and if you miss this, you are going to miss a feast. All of our ministers are planning to attend one hundred per cent for the entire convention, and we believe they will all be on the honor roll, because they are surely working and things are moving along for God. We are blessed to have our First Assistant General Overseer, Brother R. P. Johnson, with us. I know you want to hear him preach. We will also have some more good speakers on the program. We will be looking for you June 12.—H. R. Corley, overseer of Indiana, Box 124, Linton, Ind.

To the defense workers around Bainbridge and Donalsonville, Ga., and adjoining places: If there is any who would like to be in Church of God service we give you a hearty welcome to come to Unity. Anyone around Iron City, Ga., can direct you to our church.—Cora C. Taylor, Iron City, Ga.

OUR ORPHANAGE HOMES NEED

1. Bed sheets for half-beds.
2. Bed sheeting material.
3. Pillowcases or pillow case material.
4. Bedspreads for half-beds.

Thanks in advance for supplying this immediate need.—J. D. Bright, chairman of the Orphanage Committee.

"Death is swallowed up in Victory"



Brother I. C. Barrett, for twenty-two years a bishop in the Church of God, has been called to his reward, and with others, his name has been listed among those who have laid their armor by and have entered the home prepared for them by their Savior.

For a number of years he served churches in Tennessee; for instance, South Cleveland Church of God, and assistant pastor and later pastor of North Cleveland Church of God. He also cared for other churches and conducted many revivals. He served on the General Board of Trustees, and was a member of the Orphanage Committee for many years.

The deceased cultivated a spirit of prayer and gave himself to meditation of God's Word, and when in the pulpit would manifest a spirit of sincerity and earnestness. His sermons were to the point and well unctonized, thus they (Continued on page 14)

EASTER CONTEST ENDS JUNE 8

I intended setting the closing date much earlier than June 8 but several states have been rather late in getting their church offerings together to send in; therefore, I think it best to announce that after June 8 no money sent in will be given credit on this year's Easter Offering Contest.

The announcement of prize winners will be in the next issue of the Evangel, as well as a detailed report of the offerings received.—J. D. Bright, chairman of the Orphanage Committee.

Our Answer

R. P. Johnson

First Asst General Overseer

(This is our answer to, not only one, but to all men who entertain the idea that we are indifferent to the opinions of fellow Christians.)

"But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ye ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear," 1 Peter 3:15.

Dear Reverend—, you paint a strange picture of the Church of God and its ministers when you refer to it and them as a movement indifferent to the opinions of fellow Christians—not only a strange picture, but a serious charge, so serious as to cause me by the grace and help of God to give you an answer. With reference to the statement that the Church of God is indifferent to the opinions of fellow Christians, I insist on the contrary, for I know of no Christian movement that craves agreement with fellow Christians more than the Church of God ministry, nor do I know of any who more highly esteem their applause and good will. It seems that we are tempted to cater toward popularity more than any people I know of. No people are more adverse to going against the tide of public opinion, for it is the hard way; and like all other men, our natural man would have it the easy way. But there are other considerations.

I remember one Pontius Pilate who pleased the crowd, had respect to the opinions of the angry mob, instead of exercising his will power in harmony with his judgment and his convictions. Let them slay their best friend! He went the easy way and was able to hold his political post. He was a smart politician, but at the same time, a dirty coward. No honest heart admires or respects him today.

I read again of one, Simon Peter, a fisherman, who, when pressure was brought to bear to force him into an agreement, declared that we ought to please God rather than men. He took the way of the cross. They tell me that he

lost his life rather than to surrender his convictions. But all honest hearts admire him.

There was Christopher Columbus, the majority of whose sailors demanded that he turn back. Nevertheless, he pressed on. His was a hard voyage. He was not popular with the crew; yet he discovered the "garden spot of the world," America.

Dear brother, call to mind Moses, who chose to suffer affliction with the people of God, leading God's people, rather than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season. He chose a tent rather than Pharaoh's palace for a dwelling. He preferred to be a pilgrim with those who chose to go God's way rather than to sacrifice his convictions, settle down in Egypt, and be popular with his fellow schoolmates. His was the hard way, and he died in the wilderness, but he died on the mountain, and stands at the peak as a lawgiver and leader. Even his critics admire him.

Have you ever read of the Man who said to His fellow countrymen, (the religious zealots and leaders of his day), "Your fathers stoned the prophets, and ye build monuments to them"? This Man set His face like a flint. He was on no vacation. His was a hard way. He knew it before He chose it. It led to a mock trial, the condemnation on the testimony of false witnesses and by a crooked court. He died upon the instruments of the slave's torture. Popular opinion rushed up with a last-minute proposition which suggested that the going would be much easier if He would only take time out to consider the opinion of other religionists, (the Pharisees and the Sadducees) and come down and reach an agreement with them; but He knew the will of His Father, and that He came to do.

Dear brother, it is no trouble for us to find the will of God, but it takes self-denial, consecration, and courage to travel therein; and even though it causes our outward man to perish, the Church of God ministers and laymen have set their hearts to go through. Our aim and prayer is to read God's Word and let it speak for us, pray to Him for right understanding of it and for courage to stand for the convictions which it produces. This we consider our duty, and by performing our duty as we see it, we serve our fellow Christians and our fellowmen best. One who is created in the image of God ought to look at life this way.

In the Bible you can see the light in which God would have men to walk, and you will find that both true prophet and priest urged the people to a life of courage; yes, courage enough to be on the square with God and man, to face friend and foe alike! But, my brother, from what I have gleaned from the opin-



ions of the modern religionists, it seems that there is a people who are trained in the art of ducking, dodging, squirming, and hiding behind a religious profession with no blood-bought Holy Ghost possession, getting through this life like a serpent gets through the grass. My friend, we are not indifferent to these opinions; but we just cannot compromise. We would feel meaner than the snake looks, were we to try to slip along, agreeing with popular opinion when it travels contrary to the Word of God.

Patrick Henry said that he had no light to guide him save the light of the past, then requested, if there was any other light, that his hearers please tell him where to find it. The Bible is the only light that we have on the Church and the course which the Church is to pursue. We are praying for no other light but rather for wisdom and power that we may understand and be able to walk in that light. Please do not think that we are ignorant of the easy way. Do not think that we are so dumb and so blind that the easy way is hid to us. The majority of us traveled therein until we saw that instead of preparing for the kingdom we were almost at the end of the broad way that leadeth to destruction. We see professing Christians all around us, and a great number of ministers, who boast of how easy it is to become and remain a member of a certain church—"No straight jacket," they say. Yes, the easy way is ever near us, and it is no easy thing for us to press against the tide of public opinion, especially so when the appeal is made by (apparently) a fellow Christian—especially so when it comes from men of such unusual ability as yours.

Now, dear Reverend, as strange as
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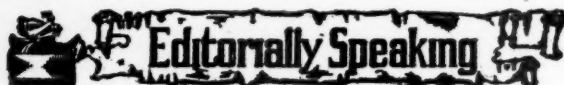
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Worthless Money IN the year 1929, I visited twelve different countries. We were told by the leader of our group that when we had our money exchanged into the money of that particular country which we were visiting that we should be sure and exchange only what we should use there because the money of that particular country would be worthless in the next one. This we found to be invariably true. French money was no good in Greece. Greek money was no good in Turkey. Turkish money could not be spent in Syria. None of these could be spent in Palestine nor in Egypt. There was one money that could be spent in any country where we stopped, and that was the American dollar. Someone made the statement that other moneys were no good only in the particular country issuing each, but that the American eagle flew high in everybody's country. But there is a country where even American money is no good. This is why Jesus said we should not lay up our treasures on earth where moth and rust corrupt and where thieves break through and steal, but should lay them up in heaven; but in so saying He did not mean money. No kind of riches is worth anything to us after we have passed this vale of tears, except that which has been provided by our richness toward God in continued service to Him.

A parable is given in St. Luke 12:16-21 of a man who was a hoarder. His barns were built bigger and what was produced on his farm was stored there, rather than used. He thought within himself that he had ample provision made for the future, but God said, "Thou fool." And then comes that saying in the twenty-first verse, "So is he that layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God." Money is a wonderful blessing where it can be spent, or where it can be used, and if it is used correctly it can be used in this old world to a great advantage. The Christian may use it for Christian purposes and when it is used properly, it proves that the one who has it is wise; but if hoarded, it proves that the one who hoards it is foolish. When money is being used for the spread of the gospel, it is being exchanged into heavenly currency and laid up

in the banks of glory where it can be used, and this is why Jesus said we should lay our treasures in heaven.

Nipponese and Tutionic

EVER since there have been people, there has been religion. The spade of the archeologist has revealed in every country where it has been wielded the religions of bygone civilizations. To us in America, the only true religion is Christianity, but there are other religions which are foreign to the religion of Christ. The Japanese (Nipponese) worship their ancestors and their emperor, which is just another fashion of worshipping themselves. As a result of this particular form of worship they are essentially unmoral. H. G. Andrews has written of them, "They have the ethics of a hungry baby, which would, in appeasing its appetite, devour its own mother and coo while doing so."

The Tutionic religion or religion of Germany, as it is now being advocated, is also a religion of self-worship. The German state and the German people and German blood are held as the highest, and the Germans are taught to worship Germany.

Selfishness in religion breeds intolerance and neither of these has relationship to the spirit of Christ. The spirit of Christ was a spirit of self-sacrifice. He said to His Father, "I come to do thy will," and His teaching in its entirety was based upon humble, loving service. Selfishness and intolerance lead to totalitarianism. The leader who thinks himself to be the only one capable of leadership becomes a dictator and the state over which he presides becomes a totalitarian government. The belief which would exclude all others and make one's own belief the only one and that no one else can get to heaven except those who subscribe to that faith in its entirety, makes one totalitarian in religion. Totalitarians have no conviction, that is, none except those that are in the brain of the leader. That's why they have no trouble in getting together. Christians have convictions. They may differ in method but if they are genuinely Christian in spirit, they believe in the essentials of salvation and have a love one for another because the love of God promotes a common brotherhood, and that brotherhood is not only advocated but sustained by the teachings of

The Power of Prayer

*Lord, what a change within us one short hour
Spent in thy presence will prevail to make;
What heavy burdens from our bosoms take;
What parched grounds refresh as with a shower!
We kneel—and all about us seems to lower;
We rise—and all, the distant and the near,
Stands forth in sunny outline, brave and clear.
We kneel, how weak! we rise, how full of power!
Why, therefore, should we do ourselves this wrong,
Or others, that we are not always strong;
That we are ever overborne with care,
Anxious and troubled, when with us is prayer,
And joy and strength and courage are with thee?*

—Richard Chenevix Trench.

Christ.

Let us be neither Nipponese nor Tutionic but in reality Christian, with brotherly love and brotherly kindness hanging in clusters upon our tree of Christian experience.

The Chaplain's Slogan

MANY are the slogans which have been developed since the world has plunged into a deadly struggle of war. "Remember Pearl Harbor," "Keep 'em rolling," "Keep 'em flying," etc., are some that have been coined. But Brigadier General W. R. Arnold, army chief of chaplains, has coined a better one. "Keep them praying" is the new watchword of army chaplains. "Keep them praying, and we shall win the war and a just peace," he says. And again, considering the deep religious significance of this war, and remembering the request of the President for prayer, I say to our chaplains, with the men, "Keep them praying."

We have received dozens of letters from chaplains scattered over the United States and we have been highly elated with the spiritual attitude which is shown in most of all of them. Many

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Many Watch For Our Halting

By Mrs. Mary Smith

Text: "Report, say they, and we will report it. All my familiars watched for my halting," Jer. 20:10.

Jeremiah uttered these words just after he had decided to quit preaching, because, said he, "the word of the Lord was made a reproach unto me." Yes, there is a reproach to bear. Paul said, "For therefore we both labour and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God," 1 Tim. 4:10. So Jeremiah said, "I will not make mention of him, nor speak any more in his name."

I think that many of us have said the same thing, although we may not be as honest to confess it as was Jeremiah. Honest now, haven't you, because of some discouragement or difficulty, sometime said, "Well, I think I am one preacher (or Sunday school teacher, or young people's president, or personal worker) whom this world can do without? I'll just resign from active service and be just a casual Christian." But that is just what the enemies of the Lord are watching for you to do. "All my familiars watched for my halting, saying, Peradventure he will be enticed, and we shall prevail against him." But instead of halting, let us get up speed and "run with patience the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God." Thank God, when the time comes that we thought of halting, we find that "his word was in mine heart as a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I was weary with forbearing, and I could not stay."

"Report," say they, "and we will report it." Yes, the people of the world are critically watching every move the people of God make, and listening for something to start a report which would hurt their influence, but it is our privilege to walk so circumspectly and talk in such a way that they which are of the contrary part, that falsely accuse your good conversation in Christ, may be ashamed. 1 Peter 3:16.

I think of my childhood days. My parents were good, well respected Baptist people who taught me to be honest,

truthful, thoughtful, virtuous and religious. At the early age of fourteen years I sought God at an old-fashioned "mourners' bench" and found Him precious to my soul in the blessed experience of the new birth. Waves of joy flooded my soul as I walked out into the river of God's love ankle deep (Ezek. 47:3) shouting the high praises of God and hugging the necks of dear old mothers and sisters who were helping in the Baptist meeting which was being held in the schoolhouse near our home.

I started out immediately to be a soul-winner for Jesus, going after my brother and sister and friends. I had the happy privilege of leading several precious souls to Jesus during that meeting, so great was my burden and compassion for lost souls. I would dream of pleading with sinners to give their hearts to Jesus and awake with tears streaming down my face in deep agony of soul.

God rewards every honest heart and "his eye seeth every precious thing," Job 20:10. Very soon I came in contact with some Church of God people who brought me the message of full salvation. I was a little skeptical at first, thinking I had full salvation. I knew I had been wonderfully blessed of the Lord, but when they showed me by the Scripture that the Bible taught sanctification and the baptism in the Holy Ghost, anon, with joy I was ready to receive it, but my loved ones did not understand, they thought it was some strange new doctrine (read Acts 17:19) and I was not privileged to attend their meeting with the exception of one or two times, but I knew it was right and in my heart I hungered and thirsted after right-

eousness and prayed that God would make a way for me.

Later I married and moved away and God blessed our home with two precious little girls, whom I dedicated to the Lord when they were babies. One day I saw someone putting up a tent near our home. Upon inquiring about it, I was informed it was to be a Church of God revival. It seemed that God spoke to my heart and said, "This is the 'way' that you have prayed for. Behold now is the accepted time, today is the day of (full) salvation."

I started attending the meeting and seeking the Lord for sanctification and praying and reading the Bible. Oh, how precious the Word of God became as the Lord began to open my understanding that I might understand the scriptures. I became so interested that I did not want to lay the Bible down to do my work. Sometimes I would try to hold my Bible in one hand and read and do my work with the other. Truly I could say with Job, "I have esteemed the words of his mouth more than my necessary food," Job 23:12.

One week from the first night I went to the meeting, God wonderfully sanctified my soul, as I sat alone in my bedroom reading His Word. Praise His wonderful name. Waves of joy rolled over my soul as I waded out in the river of God's love waist deep. Ezek. 47:4. A few months later as I knelt at an altar of prayer, the precious Holy Ghost came down, enveloped my entire being and took control of my vocal organs, and I began to speak in other tongues as the

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A Perfect Faith

*Oh for a faith that will not shrink
Though pressed by every foe,
That will not tremble on the brink
Of any earthly woe!*

*That will not murmur nor complain
Beneath the chastening rod,
But in the hour of grief or pain
Will lean upon its God;*

*A faith that shines more bright and clear
When tempests rage without;
That when in danger knows no fear,
In darkness feels no doubt;*

*That bears, unmoved, the world's dread frown,
Nor heeds its scornful smile;
That seas of trouble cannot drown,
Nor Satan's arts beguile.*

*Lord, give us such a faith as this,
And then, whate'er may come,
We'll taste, e'en here, the hallowed bliss
Of an eternal home.*

—Wm. H. Bathurst.

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D. H. DELK

Revenge

"Father, forgive them for they know not what they do."

A little boy said that forgiveness was the odor that flowers gave out after they had been trampled on. Well, I don't think Webster could give a better definition. But someone may say, "You don't know how dirty I have been done, and I don't know where I'll go, or what I'll do." Well, read Prov. 20:22, and let the Lord save you from yourself, from a terrible blunder, from eternal remorse of conscience. Avenge yourself and be pacified for a minute; forgive and pass over, and be happy forever.

Revenge will come suddenly on you if you don't watch. James and John suddenly became so wroth with the Samaritans that they were in the notion of really making it hot for them. They wanted to see them burned up.

"No man ever did a designed injury to another, but at the same time he did a greater to himself." (Home)

I read of a lady who suffered much from a dreadful headache, for she couldn't sleep on the account of grieving over an injustice done her by another. Well, she kept brooding over it till she woke up to the fact one day that she actually had a grudge growing within her heart. Then she made up her mind to forgive and love her anyway, regardless, and she did; then her headache vanished away soon.

The rebuke from another won't hurt you as much as your own improper answer. "A man hath joy by the answer of his (own) mouth." "Answer not a fool according to his folly, lest thou also be like unto him." Revenge seized David once and he was about to annihilate Nabal, and all the little Nabals, but Abigail (father of joy) stopped him. Then David praised God for hindering his revenge.

Oh, I'm telling you, when you can overcome revenge you've overcome a giant worse than Goliath. Read 1 Samuel 25.

"The narrow soul knows not the god-like glory of forgiving." (Rowe)

A mother shamed her little girl for an ugly quarrel with another girl, and finally persuaded her to ask God to forgive her, so she said, "Lord, forgive me for quarrelling with her, and make her come to me and ask my forgiveness. O Lord, give her no rest day or night till she is sorry and comes and tells me so."

Have you ever heard a preacher say, "I

Weekly Question Box

Question: Rev. 20:6 speaks of a first resurrection. Will any people be saved after this? Verse 12 speaks of being judged. Are the righteous and wicked judged at the same time? Verse 13 speaks of the sea and death giving up the dead. Are these all wicked?—Mrs. V. C. N.

Answer: The resurrection itself was believed in by the patriarchs and revealed through the prophets. See Gen. 22:5; Isa. 26:19; Dan. 12:2, 13. And there were miracles of the dead being restored to life in the Old Testament. 2 Kings 4:32-35. Jesus Christ restored life to the dead in Matt. 9:25; Luke 7:12-15, and predicted His own resurrection. The resurrection of bodies followed the resurrection of Christ. Just how many we do not know, but possibly a great number. Matt. 27:52, 53. But there are two resurrections which are yet in the future, and are inclusive of all that are in the grave. These are distinguished as the first and second resurrections or to differentiate, the resurrection "of life," 1 Cor. 15:22, 23, and the resurrection "of judgment," John 5:28, 29. The resurrection of the just is mentioned in Luke 14:13, 14, and the resurrection of life, distinguished from the resurrection unto damnation in John 5:29. There is no place that we learn the interval between these two resurrections until we find it in Rev. 20. But there it is styled as one thousand years. In 1 Cor. 15:52, those who are to go in the rapture are raised from the dead. In the twentieth chapter of the Revelation, verse 4, the tribulation saints are raised from the dead, both of these being the first resurrection, or the resurrection of the righteous. The wicked do not live until the end of the thousand years when, according to verses 12 and 13, they are brought before the great white throne for judgment. This is the final judgment of God upon earth's inhabitants, after which time the kingdom of Christ is turned over to the Father and becomes the eternal kingdom of God.

Question: In the Evangel, March 7 issue, in explaining "Where are the dead?" you use the term "triune being." Is not God alone a being? Are we not creatures?

wish So and So would get reclaimed, and God would make him catch up all his back tithes?"

O you sin of revenge! how determined, cunning, and dangerous you are. O Lord, help us to forgive others much; ourselves little.

Ezek. 18:4; Psa. 49:8, 14-20; 89:48; Eccl. 3:19-21; Acts 2:31-34. In Gen. 3:4, was it not the serpent that said, "You shall not surely die"?—C. L. W.

Answer: Of course, God is a being, the uncreated being, and we are creatures, but we are created beings, else we would not be. The scriptures given all refer to the death of the body. This was and is commonly accepted. In Ezek. 18:4, "The soul that sinneth it shall surely die," the word "soul" is given to mean the person. In several places in the Bible this term is used. For instance, fourteen souls, sixteen souls, thirty souls, etc. The person then that sinneth shall die. God told Adam and Eve that the day they ate of the fruit they should die. Death has been a penalty for sin. Spiritual death, literal death, and eternal death are all brought about by the transgression of God's law. But the soul of man does not go into the grave when he dies. This is plainly shown in the scripture given in Ecclesiastes. The spirit of a man goeth upward, and that of the beast goeth downward. This is a plain line of demarkation and should be easily understood.

Praise God For the Hope I Have

BLUEFIELD, W. Va. — I praise the Lord for the hope I have. I am saved, sanctified, filled with the Holy Ghost and a member of the Church of God at Bastian, Va. I live at Bluefield, W. Va., twenty-one miles from the church, but I visit it every chance I have.

I have just returned from a visit. Brother Willie Lyle is a great man of God and he surely preaches the truth. Pray for the church and for Brother and Sister Lyle. I have an unspoken request I want prayer for, also pray for my children and companion to be saved.—Mrs. Kate Lovill, 920 Ridge St.

JUNIOR JEWELS

Shall we continue to publish this Sunday school paper? You are the judge. Unless more Sunday schools use it, we must cease to publish it. If you want Junior Jewels to live, be sure to include it in your next order for Sunday school literature.

It is now time to order your Sunday school literature for the third quarter.

Requests

For Prayer

We receive many requests for the salvation of relatives, loved ones, and friends, also for urgent unspoken requests. There are so many of these requests it is impossible to publish them, but we ask that all take these to heart and earnestly pray that the Lord will answer prayer in their behalf. In order for requests to be published they must be signed.

Pray For

My children to be saved and that I will be healed of something like cancer. I would appreciate encouraging letters.—Mrs. L. W. Johnson, 21 Live St., Live Oak, Fla.

Mrs. Jack O'Neil, 802 Norfolk Ave., Detroit, Michigan, who has been sick for about one year.—Her sister, Mrs. McLellan.

My son, Fred R. Smith; also for salvation of my two other sons and two daughters.—Mrs. Maggie M. Smith, 1302 West College, Guthrie, Okla.

Me to be healed and my father who can't hear good to receive better hearing; a special request. Our church to be revived in the meeting we are now having.—Arlene Williams, Rt. 2, Cosby, Tenn.

My sister, Arzonias Day, who has erysipelas.—Miss Maudie Terry, Cumming, Ga.

Me to be healed of asthma; also an unspoken request.—Robert S. Denny, Rt. 1, Box 493, Roanoke, Va.

My complete healing. I have lumbago but I am lots better.—Mrs. Lona Scarborough, Murphy, Miss.

The healing of my granddaughter who has been in the hospital for two weeks and is very low.—Mrs. John Land, Rt. 2, Box 87, Mayo, Fla.

A hurting in my side and hips and other afflictions. I can't rest for these. Also pray for my son to be saved and healed.—Allie Rash, Rt. 2, Brodhead, Ky.

Ray Bracken, Frank Higgins; Roy Newton's aged father who is seventy-six years old and unsaved; Mable Whorton, Sister Elmer Davison, Sister Brown, Sister Akers and daughter, Wilma; also Sister Sams who has spinal trouble.—The Terre Haute, Ind., Y. P. E.

My healing. I have heart trouble, dropsy and tumor.—Mrs. Walter Brown, 603 A Street, Lenoir City, Tenn.

The healing of my body.—Lora Duval, Cobbtown, Ga.

The complete healing of my body; friend of mine, Virginia Jarrell, who has been in the Beckley Sanatorium for over two years with T. B.—Mrs. Victoria Hughes, Sharples, W. Va.

A girl friend of mine to be saved and healed.—Dora Green, Rt. 1, Dudley, Mo.

Sister Margie Wiggins, who is in the hospital. She has had a severe operation for gallstone and will have to have another operation in three or four weeks.—Ella Collins, High Shoals, N. C.

The healing of my husband, also that he will be saved; my two boys to be saved.—Della Early, Montvale, Va.

My husband who is sick; my mother who is paralyzed; the family who are all unsaved.—Mrs. V. E. Woodfin, Rt. 8, South Richmond, Va.

The healing of my sister-in-law's body; my father's body to be completely healed and strengthened; unspoken request; me.—Vena Mitchell, Fate, Tex.

The Lord to strengthen me in both soul and body and help me in a special undertaking.—W. J. Pierce, Ringgold, Ga.

Sister Dona Stover, Brother Linwood Jacob's mother-in-law, of Rome, Ga., to be healed.

The healing of my wife's body, as she has been sick for about one year and is growing worse.—J. R. Brown, Mt. Ash, Ky.

Brother Elisha Goodwin, who has something growing on his eyes.—Daisy O. Goodwin, Rt. 1, Dora, Ala.

Complete healing of my body; also Sisters McGhee, Sapp and Grimesly.—Mrs. C. H. Herndon, DuPont, Ga.

The healing of my body, as I have arthritis in my legs and back, also a bad cough and weak bladder; my sister, Debbie Mixson, to be healed of pains in her side and other ailments; her husband and two daughters to be healed.—Mrs. Ruth Heape, Hampton, S. C.

Rev. Jesse W. DuBose, of Savannah, Ga., who is in the U. S. Veteran's hospital, Atlanta, Ga. This is very urgent.—G. R. Watson, 391 14th St., N. W., Atlanta, Ga.

My daughter-in-law, Rose Davis, who had to undergo an operation May 18; me and my unsaved loved ones.—Mrs. Lela Davis, Rt. 2, Calhoun, Ga.

Gertrude Stiff, of 500 Cedar St., also her daughter and husband.—A sister in the Lord, Chattanooga, Tenn.

A very urgent unspoken request.—Miss Claudie Boswell, Rt. 1, Heflin, Ala.

My husband.—Mrs. Henry Crum, 609 E. 34th St., Baltimore, Md.

The healing of my husband; my mother, father, sisters and brothers to be saved.—Mrs. Thelma Sullins, Rt. 3, Abingdon, Va.

My healing as I am suffering terribly.—Sister Fannie Duncan, c/o Maggie Baldree, Monroe, Va.

A very urgent request in my behalf that God will undertake for me.—Sarah Lipscomb, c/o Catherine Davis, Albert, W. Va.

My husband, who has stomach and kidney trouble.—Mrs. W. M. Carnes, Commerce St., Ladonia, Tex.

My three boys.—Mrs. V. Henry, Rt. 2, Lyons, Ga.

God to deliver me from the torture of pains in my head and face. I cannot bear it alone.—Ruth Isaacson, Box 448, Herman, Minn.

Four unspoken requests; me; my husband who is in bad health.—Mrs. W. A. Coster, Rt. 1, Box 300, Dacusville, S. C.

The healing of Rev. J. M. Foshe, 301 S. Vine, Jefferson, Iowa, who has been sick in bed for two weeks.—Sister Opal Foshe.

A friend of mine, Miss Ruby Cochran, 32 Annex, Alto, Ga., who is very low with T. B.—Mrs. W. H. Willerson, Rt. 1, Ooltewah, Tenn.

The healing of my body of low blood.

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Foreign Missions

A LETTER FROM GUATEMALA

Totonicapan, Guatemala,
Central America, May 4, 1942
Rev. J. H. Walker
Foreign Mission Dept.
Cleveland, Tennessee, U. S. A.
Dear Brother Walker:

We are more than glad to have Brother and Sister Hoggatt here with us in the work, also little John Henry. There is no doubt with us that they were led of the Lord in choosing Guatemala for their home site. In the short time they have been here, one can see the results of their earnest efforts.

We visited them recently. They were having prayer services every morning. One could feel the presence and power of God in their midst. One brother received the baptism in the blessed Holy Ghost. In the services at the mission, formerly called "Las Nacionales" but now out and out "Church of God," the atmosphere was changed from dryness to the sound of abundance of rain. We have prayed so long for this that it filled us with joy and gladness and gratitude to God.

Our prayer to God since we came here about twenty-four years ago has constantly been that God would pour out His Spirit in all of Guatemala. We see in these days the answer to our prayers. The precious truths of the Church of God (we love them) are spreading far and near.

Don Jose Maria Enriquez, who has labored long and faithfully from the beginning of our work here and who still has the burden of those who have never had the full gospel message, made a trip to Naguala, a town of Indians up in the mountains, between here and Panajachel. They never have had a service in their town, and until recently would not allow a white man to sleep overnight there. Our Indians, who sell, have been sowing the gospel seeds, here a little and there a little, as they entered and left the town. God is giving results. Eight days ago Sunday a number of our believers were invited to go and have a service with them. They came home with

shining faces, telling us that the blessing God poured out upon that service was marvelous. They invited them to come again, so Don Jose and others gladly went to give them the glorious message of salvation.

Dona Aurora, the wife of Don Jose, whispered to me just before we went to prayer to pray for Don Jose that he was real sick all day on Saturday before the trip on Sunday. I had charge of the "Children's Church" on Sunday morning, also Sunday school in the afternoon here at Totonicapan. Truman had charge at night, but when it came time to preach, he said to me, "If you have a message from the Lord, take your liberty now," so I gave a very short one, he followed me and gave a Spirit-filled message. We have not heard from Don Jose yet, but the very fact that they were invited to return for the second service means to us a glorious victory for Christ our Lord in Naguala.

An Indian and his wife from San Pedro Laguna, a town near Naguala, assisted in our service last night. They both testified that they had been saved and were happy to be with us. They asked us to pray for their tribe of Indians. We thought as we listened to them of the words of Jesus, "Other sheep I have which are not of this fold." Of course, we will pray for them for we still love these bronze-skin Indians.

God blessed Brother Hoggatt in messages and song at the conference at Churcaca.

We are looking forward with joy to the day when our chapel will be finished and we can dedicate it to the Lord. We think it will be about the last of June. We are praying and trusting for great things from God at that time. One Saturday I missed Truman in the home; I went to the front door, looked across the street. There was Truman and Don Jose perched on a log. At the top of the chapel Truman was printing there; so I watched with interest. This was the result of his work: "La Iglesia de Dios." Then the sculptor worked on the letters, now in raised letters, which are

beautiful to us—we have the "Church of God." We are looking forward to having Brother and Sister Syverson, Minnie and David with us, also Brother and Sister Hoggatt and John Henry.

We desire very much to have Brother Walker and the Mission Board, with Brother Ingram, if it is possible. Come and rejoice with us for this is your church.

Brother Ingram wrote that we could go home for a six-months' furlough, also have the great privilege of being present at the Assembly. I am sure we will appreciate a change, especially Truman, as he has not been so well lately. If we go to the States, we would like to leave here right after the chapel is dedicated; then we could enjoy the warmth of the summer months. It has been exceedingly cold and damp here this term.

We are more than grateful to God and our Mission Board and all who are helping in the work here. We are the least of God's little ones but we praise Him for a corner where we can labor for souls and be backed by the Church of God.

We pray for all, trusting that God will prosper you in all your labor of love for Him.—Yours in His glad service, Carrie E. Furman.

News From St. Vincent, B. W. I.

Evangelist Green writes from St. Vincent to say that they had their first quarterly meeting on Easter Sunday, April 5, that it was a most wonderful day and could not have been better, and that God was with them in mighty power.

Sister Smith, leader of the Biabou church, writes to say that God has been blessing them much at Biabou, that for the three months thirty souls have been saved and that their Sunday school register now shows an enrollment of 161, with the work progressing nicely.

Sister Harris, leader of the Diamond church, writes that during the quarter twenty-two souls have been saved there, and the Sunday school is also making good progress, that they now have on
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South Georgia Camp Meeting, at Baxley, June 5-14

Another Warrior Fallen on the Battlefield, Called to His Reward

By one who loved him, his General
Overseer

Our Brother A. C. Craft, superintendent of the Toccoa Orphanage, slipped away to be with the Lord Tuesday, May 12.

Brother Craft himself being an orphan, together with his wife, founded the Toccoa Orphanage in 1911, in a four-room cottage, with \$4.00 as capital. In spite of the many difficulties and discouragements, Brother and Sister Craft, through the thirty years of continuous service, cared for approximately 1,500 unfortunate boys and girls and guided them to homes of love and care. It was my happy privilege to have several heart to heart talks with Brother Craft and I know personally that the orphanage work lay near his heart. From the clippings of the newspaper I quote the following: "A great man passes. Occasionally there is, in a community, a rare soul who rises above convictions, the unusual and the commonplace, and carries on in a sphere of his own, both for himself and others. Such a soul was the late Rev. A. C. Craft." Another stated, "Rev. A. C. Craft, one of Toccoa's most well-known and best loved citizens."

I certainly learned to love Brother Craft and his faithful companion, who, even in this hour wrote, "I knew God could give His children peace at a time like this, but I could never have thought it was such a heavenly peace as we have."

It is said that his funeral, conducted at the First Methodist church, with all the pastors of the city participating, was the sweetest and the largest ever held in Toccoa. There were approximately fifty orphans, formerly cared for by the institution, present to pay honor to their benefactor.

Rev. W. H. Godwin, his pastor, wrote in the Toccoa Record, "Toccoa has lost one of her greatest citizens, but our loss is heaven's gain. To know Rev. A. C. Craft was to love him. We have always found him to be the same. He was kind, sympathetic, and loving, and was always ready to lend a helping hand to those who were in need. We don't think of him as being dead, because he liveth."

From the March, 1942, issue of the *Toccoa Orphanage Visitor*, I quote an excerpt which tells of the trip of Rev. and Mrs. Craft to New York to speak on the national hookup of the history of their orphanage:

"'We, the People,' the popular Columbia network program heard Tuesdays from 9 to 9:30 p. m., Tuesday evening, signally honored Rev. and Mrs. A. C. Craft, of Toccoa, Ga., who are retiring after operating the Toccoa Orphanage for the past thirty years.

"Rev. and Mrs. Craft were invited to New York to appear on the national hookup which gives recognition to people who have done outstanding public service, and the Rev. and Mrs. Craft were among those honored Tuesday night. All expenses of the trip were paid by the program sponsors for the local couple.

Give High Lights of Career

"A short dialogue introduced Rev. and Mrs. Craft, who then gave the high lights of their career, telling of the first child, a little girl, to come to the Orphanage, and of the first little boy. Mrs. Craft also told of the first little girl who requested to call her 'Mother,' because 'she did not have a real mother.'"

Over the radio they gave an account of how the Orphanage grew, of how they added more rooms to their own little four-room house as the number of children increased, and how for these thirty years they had given their life's attention to this work.

In 1939 Mr. R. G. LeTourneau, a millionaire philanthropist, one of whose large construction plants is located near Toccoa, donated \$2,000 to the orphanage, which meant much to them, enabling them to pay off some debts on the property, some on grocery bills, and to buy a carload of coal. "That contribution lifted our burdens so much," wrote Mrs. Craft.

Below is a quotation from Mrs. Craft's letter to the *Toccoa Orphanage Visitor* in March:

"We regret that we cannot publish all the sweet letters we have received, but the paper is so small it is impossible, but we have appreciated all the letters, telegrams, telephone messages and the trip to New York by 'WE THE PEOPLE,' and all the receptions and honors that have been given us we have enjoyed. Your kindness has humbled my heart and made me want to be a better Christian.

"This is our last *Orphanage Visitor* and to all you dear friends we say, God bless you, and good-bye."

I was greatly impressed with an article by Dale Carnegie, concerning Brother and Sister Craft, which appeared in the *Toccoa Orphanage Visitor* in March of this year. I am giving below the article in its entirety:

"In the latter part of the last century a small boy in Georgia lost his mother, and although he was only eleven years old at the time he had to go to work in the field.

"As he walked along the cotton rows, he would think about her, dreaming of the happy days that were gone. One day an almost blinding revelation hit him: to do something for children who had lost their parents. You couldn't be sure that anything would come of that, could you? a boy of eleven getting the idea that he wanted to help other children who had suffered a loss similar to his. The boy's name was Craft.

"Well, what that idea did in this case is phenomenal. I have never heard of anything to equal it. The idea remained with him as he grew older; never left him, day or night.

"Finally he fell in love and told the girl about the idea that had come to him in the cotton field. She said she would help him all she could. In 1901 they were married and in 1902 their first child was born. But A. C. Craft was driven on by his call to help orphan children. They heard of a child in the poorhouse in Anderson, S. C. They took that child to live with them.

"Later they took another child, and then they had six children in their home, four of their own and two orphans. Mr. Craft was a traveling minister, and his wife, in order to supply the needs of those children, had to work in the field. They were so poor that they did not own a horse, but had to rent one.

"So powerful was the driving force behind Mr. Craft that he took other poor children to raise, and more and more children. Their house was not large enough so they established an orphanage. The neighbors contributed some food and clothing, but Mr. and Mrs. Craft did not have the support of any church, organization, or institution. Now comes the startling part of my story. From 1911 to date they have cared for 1,400 children. Many of the chil-

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Indiana State Convention, at Shelburn, June 12-14

Notes From My Letters . . .

J. H. Walker, General Overseer

Telegram

Rev. J. H. Walker
Cleveland, Tennessee

Montana convention great. Mission offering, \$635.66. Evangel subscriptions, seven, joined church, six. Good attendance.—Earl P. Paulk, Second Assistant General Overseer.

Telegram

"Can be said no more small conventions of Northwest. Washington convention wonderful. Swell attendance. Twenty-four joined church, five ministers. Evangel subscriptions, ten. Orphanage offering, \$63.19. Mission offering, \$704.37. Over doubled last year.—Earl P. Paulk."

Thanks, Brother Paulk, for the telegram.

Rev. George Brazell, state Y. P. E. and Sunday school superintendent of Tennessee, reports that at his district convention last week end, they lacked only \$3.00 and some few cents having fourteen times as much orphanage offering as they raised last year. At another convention previous to this one the orphanage offering was more than the entire state raised in conventions last year.

"Our district conventions are going good. Catlettsburg closed May 17. The mission offering was \$182.43, an increase over last year of \$63.53. In ten district conventions the total mission offering was \$2,836.76, an increase over last year of \$1,820.09. We have two more district conventions, which, I am sure, will make us \$3,000 or more for the State of Kentucky."—W. J. Milligan, state overseer.

May God continue to bless and help you, Brother Milligan, in your efforts there.

"The Lord blessed us in an unusual way in the closing service of our revival last Sunday night. A number of people were saved and sanctified. Seven received the Holy Ghost baptism. Brother Glynn Weatherby, of Sulphur Springs, Texas, was our evangelist. He surely is a man of God and an excellent preacher with an up-to-the-minute message. Please pray for us."—V. C. Ramey, Mooresville, North Carolina.

Telegram

"The Flint district convention was a blaze of victory. The mission offering

tops all records in the state—over \$500. All ministers stated the best ever."—Messer and Kerce.

The telegram above was received from Brother E. O. Kerce, state overseer of Michigan, and Brother T. C. Messer, district overseer, as a report on the district convention at Flint, Michigan.

"Greetings in the name of our Lord!

"I am glad to report a revival now in progress at St. Charles, Virginia, with Brother T. S. Payne in charge of the services. The altar is full and people are praying through to old time salvation every night. The interest is very good, and the attention is excellent. Brother Payne is in very good health. He has a really evangelistic message, and everyone here likes him very much."—The pastor, Rev. E. O. Sells, St. Charles, Virginia.

CANCER HEALED

ROANOKE RAPIDS, N. C. — The following report is of an incident which occurred on Jan. 17, 1940. I was called by a neighbor to go to a place in Virginia to pray for her uncle who was slowly dying with a cancer on the left side of his face. It had been there four or five years and had eaten the flesh away from beneath his eye and almost to the ear and to the side of his nose down on his neck, and had eaten his jaw bone in two. He took it out later and has it in alcohol for anyone to see, a piece about three inches long and one and a half inches wide.

As we entered the room that morning we were informed by his wife that he had not eaten a bite of food in a week and had only taken a few swallows of milk in his mouth, most of that coming back through the bandage on his face. The doctor had been called the night before and had told his wife that he would hardly live through the night.

He was so weak and near gone that we had to lean our ear over him to hear his faint whisper as we talked to him of the power of God and His great promises to His children. We asked him if the Lord would heal him would he go forth and tell that the Lord did do the work. He said he would. As we were in the room the odor from that decaying flesh was such that we could hardly bear to stay long enough to pray for him, but we did as James 5:14, 15 says do, and the Lord rebuked death and he said his misery instantly left him. He slept that day and night and when morning came he

had no soreness whatever. He has never suffered another pain. In a week's time he had his daughter write us that he ate ham and eggs for breakfast. In April he built a boat and fished on Roanoke River; he cleared off new ground and planted and raised a crop of corn. When we last saw him it was the second Sunday in August, 1941. His face was covered with new flesh except for a very small hole in the center of his jaw. He has been seen by hundreds of people. As many as fifty from Roanoke Rapids have seen him. They have heard his and his wife's testimony of his awful condition and his miraculous healing.

When we read the book of Job we know he was righteous, yet he suffered afflictions for the glory of God, and Psalms 34:19 says, "Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord delivereth him out of them all." Praise His name! I've read a few requests in the Evangel for prayer of saints who have cancers. I want to say to you, be encouraged and stand on the promises of God. Read St. John 15:7 where He says, "If ye abide in me and my word abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will and it shall be done unto you." Praise God. Heb. 13:8, "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and for ever." Read Psalm 103.—Della R. Patrick, Box 585.

NOTE: Every statement in the above testimony is true as I am an eyewitness to same. The last time I saw the old man he was in good health. He also had a piece of his jawbone, about three and a half inches long, in a jar of alcohol. It was indeed a notable miracle, but thank God, all things are possible to them that believe.—J. R. Campbell, Concord, N. C.

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THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

Revivals and Their Results

THOMASVILLE, Ala.—We have just closed a two weeks' revival which was a real success. Brother Howard Goodman did the preaching and the Goodman trio did the singing. We had good attendance and much was accomplished. There were quite a few saved, three sanctified, three filled with the Holy Ghost, and three added to the Church. Anyone wishing a good revival will make no mistake in getting the Goodman trio.—J. M. Vise.

SHARPLES, W. Va.—We have just closed a revival here in Dabra Camp. Brother Marion Bowen did the preaching. The Lord wonderfully blessed. There were several saved, some sanctified and seeking the Holy Ghost. Pray for them and for us.—Mrs. C. V. Hughes.

SLATON and ODESSA, Tex. — We recently closed a successful revival at Slaton where Brother Jack Gilbert is pastor. The Lord has wonderfully blessed his labors since he has been there. Brother W. E. Rampy was the evangelist. Five received the Holy Ghost, several were saved, and seven united with the Church of God.

After we closed the revival there we came to Odessa, Tex., which is a new work. Brother H. L. Sims is pastor and is doing his best to bring the church to the front. They have a new building and I can say, for just a few members, they have a real Willing Workers' Band, also a good Sunday school. Nine were saved, three filled with the Holy Ghost and one sanctified. The people treated us so well while there that I will not forget it. God bless each one at Odessa, Tex. The revival closed on Saturday night with fellowship meeting that day and communion and feet washing that night, and five united with the church. Pray much for us to be soul-winners for God and our children to be always in His service.—Rev. and Sister W. E. Rampy, Gen. Del., Slaton, Tex.

CHELSEA, Ala.—We praise the Lord for the way He has helped us and blessed us here at Chelsea, Ala. Surely God is still on the throne. We closed a revival last week with Rev. Colon Dunn doing the preaching. God convicted the hearts of sinners. Surely He is wanting to save souls in these last days. Pray for the church here, that it will be a soul-saving station.—Alma Bradley, pastor.

WALHALLA, S. C.—We, the Walhalla No. 2, Church of God, have closed

a brush arbor revival at Rocky Branch. The pastor of the church, Rev. C. L. Hall, and the evangelist, Sister Marion Dottry, also a member of Walhalla No. 2, were in charge. The Lord blessed wonderfully. Two were saved. We desire the prayers of the Church.—Rev. C. L. Hall, pastor, Rt. 2.

We are glad to report a new mission opened in Little Rock, Ark., on 20th and Pine Streets. We are now in a revival. We appreciate Sister Ramsey and Sister Hammond, of New Mexico, who have been with us for two weeks assisting in singing; also Brother and Sister Dunn, of Corbin, Ky., who are with us for a few days. God is blessing us here. Pray that we will have success here in Little Rock for the Church of God.—Mrs. W. M. Johnson.

HARRISBURG, Pa.—We praise God for His many blessings. Last week the revival closed here with Sister Shideler as evangelist. She delivered a number of good sermons under the anointing power of God.

Many souls were stirred. The results were not what we would like to have seen, but we are glad to report one saved, three sanctified and one filled with the Holy Ghost. The crowds were small, but thank God, it is the heart that He looks on, and surely those who are faithful will receive a reward. We thank Him for our pastor, Brother Bell, and his family. They are a great blessing to the church here.—Mrs. J. E. McCullough, clerk, 1716 Regina St.

LaFOLLETTE, Tenn.—We are glad to report another good revival for LaFollette, conducted by G. W. Hodges, of Knoxville. We had large crowds and good interest from the very first. Ten were saved, nine sanctified, five filled with the Holy Ghost, five added to the church, and four to be baptized in water. The mother of the orphans whose pictures were in last week's Evangel was saved, sanctified, filled with the Holy Ghost and joined the church. Brother Hodges says the church is about one hundred per cent better in every respect than it was six years ago when he held his first revival here. We thank God for His blessings. Pray for us at LaFollette.—Miss Ruth Baird.

CHEVROLET, Ky.—On May 4 Rev. B. H. Enix and the writer went to Chevrolet, Ky., and started a revival.

We found a hearty welcome there. I preached the greater part of the first week and Rev. Enix did the preaching the next week, except on Friday night when our beloved district overseer came over and brought a wonderful message on the Church of God teachings. On Monday night, May 18, Brother Enix preached on "The Church and Its Benefits" and the church was set in order with five members. The meeting went on a few nights longer. Rev. A. W. Hall will be the pastor of the new church. We are going to have a baptizing Sunday, May 24. We expect to combine our baptizing at Cawood and Chevrolet. We will have altogether about eight to follow the Lord in water baptism. Pray for this little church and its pastor.—A. W. Hall, pastor Cawood and Chevrolet churches, Cawood, Ky.

FOUNTAIN INN, S. C.—We recently closed a wonderful two weeks' revival here with seven saved and one filled with the Holy Ghost. The revival was conducted by Sister Gertrude Coster and Sister Ethel Stephens. Brother B. O. Cantrell is our pastor.—Mrs. W. A. Coster, Rt. 1, Box 300, Dacusville, S. C.

PERRY, Fla. — A very successful three weeks' revival was held at Perry in April by the writer. The Lord came down and blessed in a miraculous way. There were forty saved, twenty-eight sanctified, sixteen baptized with the Holy Ghost, twenty-seven added to the church, and thirty baptized in water. Brother A. M. Sapp is the pastor there.—Robert Johnson, state Sunday school and Y. P. E. superintendent.

We have just closed a three weeks' revival at Kinser Church of God, eight miles southeast of Cleveland, Tenn. Brother Taft Black was the evangelist. The Lord blessed in a wonderful way. Five were saved, two sanctified, and one filled with the Holy Ghost. Two others received the Holy Ghost in the sisters' prayer meeting a few days before the revival began. Three were added to the church.—Cordell Ellis, pastor.

One of the most wonderful revivals in the history of the Hayesville, N. C., Church of God closed May 10, after being in progress two weeks only. Brother Gilbert Geren, a young minister formerly of Cleveland, Tenn., but now pastor at Shooting Creek, N. C., was in charge, assisted by the pastor.

Apparently no extraordinary anointing nor unusual demonstrations, on the part of the minister, attended this great revival. But the simple story of the gospel truth proceeding from a heart full of
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--- Golden Gleanings ---

FROM HERE THERE EVERYWHERE

The Preacher

By Charles T. Burchess

Here's to the preacher, be he great or small,
Be he ugly or handsome, short or tall,
Be he frivolous, sober, sour or sweet,
He certainly earns what he gets to eat.

They knock him and block him with tongue and pen,
His troubles are double, they never end.
They stunt him, they starve him year after year,
But he sticks to his job though with many a tear.

His parishioners quarrel, they fight, they fuss.
But his job is easy. He settles the muss.
He shoulders his job with a lot of vim
And stops all the row between John and Jim.

He preaches our funerals and visits the sick,
Goes with patched trousers, but he never kicks.

He builds the fires, dusts the seats.
Yet some begrudge him the mite he eats.

My mind is not broad enough, words are too few

To enumerate all that he has to do.
He prays and pleads for us mortals of sin.
If we don't get to heaven, we can't blame him.

If I were an artist and clever with paint,
I would picture the preacher before the saints

Dressed in white linen with harp and with wings
Surveying his mansion and beautiful things.

Saint Peter would smile as he watched this man

Who while on earth, a good race ran,
Who fought a good fight and finished his course,
Who earned a crown, a home and so forth.

So here's to the preacher to whom honor is due.

Perhaps when we're dead he can honor us too.

Sermonette

To obey and follow God's guidance is the swiftest and safest way through all

the confusion and wreckage that men are making of their dealings and relations together. No League of Nations, no war to end war as was the slogan of 1914, nor war for a new order as is the slogan of the present World War, can save man from the confusion and wreckage that he is making of himself. Not until the modern man of this age fully realizes that only Christ can transform individuals and save society, will he ever be able to possess and maintain his inheritance in peace and tranquility.—Rev. J. J. Mends-Cole, in *Pathfinder*.

An Old Latin Hymn

*How far from here to heaven?
Not very far, my friend;
A single hearty step
Will all thy journey end.*

*Hold, there! where runnest thou?
Know heaven is in thee!
Seek'st thou for God elsewhere?
His face thou'lt never see.*

*Go out, God will go in;
Die thou, and let Him live;
Be not, and He will be;
Wait, and He'll all things give.*

*I don't believe in death.
If hour by hour I die,
'Tis hour by hour to gain
A better life thereby.*

—Angelus Silesius, A. D. 1620.

Gossip

The word "gossip" had an interesting origin, and came to have its present meaning by a roundabout route. Originally it came from the Anglo-Saxon word "godsib," which meant "related to God." The word referred to a sponsor at one's baptism. Thus a "godsib" was a close friend who was familiar with you and knew all about you.

It didn't take long for the idea of "knowing about you" to change to "telling all about you," and the present meaning of the word "gossip" was born.—*The Friend*.

The War and Palestine

A letter to *The Christian* (London) says: "Is it not significant that the only real British victories so far have been

when making efforts to protect Palestine? The Battle of Britain and the Battle of the Atlantic, of course, were and are necessary to our existence; but it is a relief to turn from the disasters that have befallen our arms elsewhere (Norway, Belgium, France, Greece, Crete, Hong Kong, Singapore, East Indies, Burma) to the series of brilliant operations, military and diplomatic, that have resulted in surrounding Palestine with a protective ring of friendly powers. Syria, Turkey, Iraq, Iran, Saudi-Arabia, and Egypt surround Palestine, and their friendliness to Britain, and among themselves, and toward the Jew, is in itself a miracle.

"Does Germany threaten to descend from the north? Russia drives back the enemy. Do Germany and Italy threaten to attack from the south through Egypt? Britain hurls back the enemy through Libya and Ethiopia. It seems as if sorely persecuted Israel is being given in their land a season of peace and prosperity, as a gracious opportunity for repentance, and for acknowledging Jesus as the Messiah."—*Pentecostal Evangel*.

How to Understand

In the days of the South, a Negro slave and preacher had an infidel master. The master said to the slave one day, "You are a preacher, Sam?"

"Well, I tells about Jesus some, Massa."

"Well, if you are a preacher, you ought to understand the Bible. Now tell me, what does this mean?" He opened the Bible and read, "Whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate"—words that have puzzled wiser heads than the poor slave.

"Well," said the slave, "Massa, where is it?"

"It's in Romans," said the master.

"Oh, my dear Massa; I will explain dis 'ole business to you! It is very simple. You begin with Matthew, and do all the dear Lord tells you to do there: and then you go on to Mark, and Luke, and John; and when you get to that place it is easy enough—but you can't begin there."—*Preacher's Homiletical Commentary*.

The person who betrays the confidence of his friend is losing something he will never be able to purchase back.

THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

Praise and Thanksgiving

By the Signs We Know the Coming of Jesus Is Near

DARLOVE, Miss. — Dear Evangel Readers, I praise the Lord for what He has been to me. I can feel the victory bubbling up in my soul right now. I am so glad that I sought the Lord for the Holy Ghost. I am glad that when I humbled myself the Holy Ghost came in and took up His abode.

I was in the U. S. Army at Fort Benning, Ga., for eleven months but I prayed and asked God to bring me out. Dear souls, I feel God calling me to work for Him in foreign missions. The Lord has come to me several times to go to Mexico but, dear souls, I have a little place here of one hundred twenty acres and a mother, father and brother to take care of. I have just asked the Lord if He wants me to work for Him to make the way for me.

Dear souls, pray much for me that the Lord will have His way, for the devil is on his job working hard against me. I believe the Lord is coming soon. In Matthew 24:32 Jesus says, "Now learn a parable of the fig tree; when his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh," so we know by the budding forth of the signs that Jesus said would come before the end of the world that the end is near. Surely we people who have the love of God in our hearts should know that the end is nigh at hand, even at the door.

Pray for me that I will stand true.—Vardaman Dyson.

A Strong Desire To Serve God

ORANGEBURG, S. C.—Dear Saints, I feel led by the Spirit to say a few words for my Lord. I am so happy to say that since sending my request to the Evangel for prayer I received an anointed cloth. Thank God. I am happy in my soul! I feel like a new person. I know the Lord laid His hands on me. Praise His name. I thank God for good praying people all over this land. I know the saints of God surely prayed. I heard from my baby. The nurse said that she was the happiest little child they ever saw. They didn't believe her back hurt any more. Thank God.

Dear saints, please pray on for a complete victory, and please pray for me to always stay in the center of God's will and be just what He wants me to be. I have had a strong desire to serve my Lord all my life but never have I had the

desire that I have now. I never have felt the Spirit so strong. Praise the Lord. Pray for me to hold on to God's unchanging hand. I want to know more about Jesus; I want to tell the people what He has done for me through the prayers of God's children. I thank every one for the sweet encouraging letters. Praise the Lord. May God bless you every one. Saints, do please remember me in all your prayers, I need Jesus. I know He is a wonderful leader for His people. Please write to me for it is a blessing to me. God be with you is my prayer in all that you do. May the richest of God's blessings abide with you. I enjoy the Evangel very much.—Mrs. Ethel Mae Preveaux, 49 N. Windsor St.

CHATTAROY, W. Va.—I am so glad I can report victory over sin. I truly praise the Lord for old time salvation that I feel deep in my soul which makes me know I am a child of the King. Praise God! I have a deep desire in my heart to see men and women, boys and girls pray through to God.

About one year ago God called me to preach His Word. I thought I wasn't qualified enough to preach and I didn't go ahead right when God called me. So finally I got down in bed sick. I had a doctor and he said I had T. B. The dear saints of God came and prayed with me so many times and I do believe they continued to pray for me. One day I was propped up in bed reading the Bible and all at once the power of God came down and hovered around me. I began to feel the sweet presence of God. He spoke to my soul and said, "When you get willing to go out and preach my gospel, I will heal your affliction." I got willing to do God's will and I said, "Yes, Lord, I will do my best," and I came out of bed leaping and praising God and I do thank Him for His wonderful power and I pray that this little testimony will be a help to someone who is out in the broad way of sin and that he will find that wonderful Savior whom I found over four years ago. I ask an interest in your prayers that I will be found at my post of duty. Pray for my children and husband that God will save them before it is too late.—Mrs. Sarah Collins, Box 93.

BURDETTE, Ark.—Truly, I praise my dear Lord this morning for victory in my soul. I am glad that one day the Lord reached down and lifted me out

of sin. Praise His dear name. About a month later He sanctified me. Glory to God. Last week He gave me the Holy Ghost. Please pray for me and my loved ones.—Mrs. Virginia King.

MOUNDSVILLE, W. Va.—Greetings in Jesus' name. I am a steady reader of the Evangel and find it a great help. I subscribed for it before I was saved, but now I am saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Praise God.

I would like for you saints everywhere to pray that I will stand steadfast. Pray that my husband will be healed of a hernia.—Mrs. Ada M. Pettit, 2 Walnut Ave.

TALBOTT, Tenn.—I praise the Lord for saving me and giving me the Holy Ghost. Can God heal? Yes! We were called to the bedside of a man in Gastonia and God came down and touched his body. One received the Holy Ghost.

I have one of the best little classes there is anywhere; they are all boys. Please pray for us.—Clevia Collette, Mt. Vale Church of God.

PERDIDO, Ala.—I certainly praise the Lord for what He has done for me. He healed my body after the doctors said I could not live. Thank God. I was so sick for several months that I didn't know anything, but the good Lord heard my prayers and answered. The good Christian people prayed and now I am up and doing a little of my housework. I thank everyone so much for being so good to pray for me. Again I thank the people of Perdido for their prayers to God for me, and above it all I praise the Lord for His wonderful love and great healing power. I don't know very much about my sickness, but I had a very serious operation and the good Lord brought me out.

I am forty-nine years old and have been living for the Lord seventeen years. Praise the Lord for His goodness to me. I never had any peace in this world until I found the Lord and He has kept me ever since. I want to live a life that will be a light to others so they will find the Lord before it is too late, for I do believe we are soon to go be with the Lord. Thank God for His wonderful love and great healing power. I know the Lord spared my life for some cause. Pray for me to know and do His will.—Mrs. Anna Emmons.

Many Watch For Our Halting

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Spirit gave utterance. It was truly joy unspeakable and full of glory. As I swam out into the immeasurable depths in the ocean of God's love (Ezek 47:5), truly I could say with Peter, "Therefore did my heart rejoice, and my tongue was glad," Acts 2:26. My tongue was surely glad; it had never behaved so lively before. Hallelujah!

I was definitely led of the Lord to join the church with the people of "like precious faith" and help spread this glorious gospel of full salvation. Some of my loved ones were very much distressed because I had accepted this new doctrine (?) and left the church of my people. They had many "miserable comforters" who would say, "Don't worry; we know she is sincere and when she finds there's nothing to it she will be back with us." "All my familiars watched for my halting." Others would say, "It won't last long. I had a brother or sister or friend who went that way once, but soon came back." Yes, some did run well, but are hindered; they began in the Spirit, but are now walking in the flesh. "Many are called but few are chosen." "He that endureth to the end the same shall be saved."

"All my familiars watched for my halting," but while they are looking for my halting, I am "looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ; Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works," Titus 2:13, 14.

Another Warrior, Fallen On the Battlefield, Called To His Reward

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dren now have important positions, but they look upon the home of Mr. and Mrs. Craft as theirs, and many of them are coming for a reunion next summer. Mr. and Mrs. Craft have grown older and cannot now do so much work. Some of the children who are late comers have been sent to private homes, others are being cared for by the State. Think of a man getting an idea as a boy of eleven, and sticking by it throughout his life! stuck by it so closely that he cared for 1,400 children.

"How real and deep are the ideas that come to you. Do they float in on the top of your mind, and then after a time float away? An idea is a living, breathing, growing thing. When you get an idea you believe in, stick to it, make it count for something, make it the dominant motive of your life."

Interment was in the Toccoa ceme-

tery. Survivors include his wife, five children, Chaplain L. Blake Craft, Key West, Florida, Mrs. W. W. Howell, Elom College, North Carolina, A. C. Craft, Jr., Toccoa, Georgia, Mrs. Pinkey C. Ware, Douglas, Georgia, and Sergeant John W. Craft, Ft. McPhearson, quite a number of grandchildren and his friends and loved ones run into the thousands, for he served some twenty years as General Moderator of the Fire Baptized Holiness Church, prior to his union with the Church of God, at our General Assembly, in Chattanooga, in September, 1938.

May God bless the memory of this good man, for the salvation of many souls, for in the morning we expect to meet Brother Craft, with the sainted millions who have gone on before.

Mission Page

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their roll 207, and they are believing for greater things.

Sister Priam, leader at Chatteblair, writes to say what a great blessing and help the visit in February of the overseer proved to be, and how it has encouraged them in the work there, that for the quarter ending March 31, 141 have been saved, and their Sunday school is also doing fine; they now have 189 on roll with many other near-by villages calling for meetings.

Dear ones, pray for St. Vincent. Our greatest need there is money for buildings in which to hold our meetings, and more workers to carry on the good work there.—Yours seeking the lost, J. B. Winter, overseer.

Editorially Speaking

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of these chaplains show they have really become acquainted with God and many of them have asked us to remember them that they will be the kind of Christian leaders they should be. This religious morale should be greatly strengthened by the attitude of the President of the United States, who, in a letter to Dr. Douglas Horton, of the General Council of the Congregational Christian Churches, wrote, "A real revival of religion would serve to strengthen the U. S. moral in war time and would be our sure guide to a just and lasting peace when our enemy shall have been vanquished." "Further," he says, "although we are called upon to employ force to the utmost, we must not lose sight of the strength that lies in the Sword of the Spirit."

Just how far the President of the United States is right, must be left with God, but we must admit that his attitude of prayer and dependence on God is one that should be admired by all Chris-

tians everywhere. Would it not be a wonderful motto for every preacher to use in his respective church, the one that has been adopted for the Army—"Keep them praying," for there is no power, visible or invisible, which has greater force than that of prayer. God is still on the throne. God is able to deliver from the wicked devices of Satan. Those in America who know God must pray and those who know Him not should become acquainted with Him that they may be able to talk and commune with Him in this crucial and trying hour.

Requests

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pressure, stomach trouble and a head disease.—H. J. Smith, Rt. 2, Fyffe, Ala.

The healing of my body, I have a rheumatic heart; my children, husband, mother, sister and friend to be saved.—Mrs. George Day, Dehue, W. Va.

Death Is Swallowed Up in Victory

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would bless the hearer.

His walk was as becometh a minister of the gospel. He was careful not to give offence by careless walk or words not becoming to a servant of the Lord. He was a man of strong conviction and was not afraid to stand by them though, perhaps, misunderstood. As a citizen he had the respect of the people and was noted for his promptness in business life. As a father and husband, he proved his devotion to his family, and their loss has caused the tears to flow freely.

Nine ministers were present at his funeral, which was held at Kinser church, eight miles southeast of Cleveland, on May 12, 1942. His body was laid to rest in the Ramsey cemetery near Cleveland, Tenn. We feel sure that at His coming he, with many others, will arise to meet the Lord.

The bereaved family have our sympathy and prayers.—E. J. Boehmer.

MITCHELL

Brother Berry Mitchell was born in 1886 and died April 24, 1942, at the age of fifty-six years. He was saved about fifteen years ago and was a member of the Cawood, Ky., church.—B. H. Enix, Middlesboro, Ky.

STEWART

Sister Ange Stewart departed this life in May. She was a good Christian lady, a citizen of Cawood, who will be greatly missed on account of her good life.—A. W. Hall, pastor, Cawood, Ky.

Christ can rule over us only when true love rules in us.

REVIVALS

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love, sincerity and earnestness and a burden for the lost, met the approval of the great divine God of heaven, resulting in deep conviction seizing the entire audience at times, with many crowding the altar and praying until the victory was won. A number prayed through after midnight.

Honor to whom honor is due is approved by the Word of God, and no violence thereto is done, to say that the faithfulness, cooperation, untiring efforts and labor of love on the part of the church members, through whom the Lord worked, is partly responsible for the great success. But to the Lord, glory, honor, gratefulness and thanksgiving belong for that which was done.

Thirty-one were saved, twenty-seven sanctified, eighteen baptized with the Holy Ghost, twenty-six united with the church, (two by transfer and twenty-four additions), and twenty-five baptized in water, in the beautiful Chatuge Lake.

The Lord is still blessing. A senior high school girl received her baptism in the Holy Ghost in family prayer at home since the revival closed.—Glover P. Ledford, pastor.

TARPON SPRINGS, Fla. — We are glad to report a successful three weeks' revival conducted by Rev. Randall Geren, of Cleveland, Tenn. The Spirit of God was in each service and both saint and sinner were made to see the necessity of a closer walk with God. Some who had known the Lord but had backslidden were brought back into the church.

We enjoyed the stirring messages as they came forth from night to night, and also the special music which was furnished.

There were several saved, a number received the Holy Ghost, and five were added to the church. This makes a total of thirty-four members since last Assembly. The church is encouraged and pressing on with our good pastor, Rev. H. L. Sorrow.—Bonnie Hernandez.

Our Answer

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we may appear and as indifferent as we may seem to be toward the opinions of other fellow Christians, let me assure you again that we crave concord and agreement with all Christians; but we have little hopes of such a happy union unless leaders can have the courage to lay their opinions against the Bible with a firm purpose of heart to let its plain statements be the ground upon which they propose to stand, even though such an act might mean the sacrifice of popularity and position. Then, and not until then, will you be able to understand that

our peculiarities are not that of indifference to fellow Christians' opinions, but rather a deep purpose and burning desire of heart to render faithful service to our neighbor by adhering to God's Holy Word.

The hope of the Church of God is that its ministers and members will be ready when Jesus comes, and the reason that we entertain such hope is that it has its ground in firm, unadulterated faith. When we speak of unadulterated faith, we mean a faith that takes hold of the heart and life of a man and works a change within him, not the kind of faith that the devil has, which causes him to believe and tremble, but the kind of faith which brings peace with God and draws our souls to the fountain of cleansing, the kind of faith that travels

on to the upper room and carries there until it receives the Holy Ghost, the kind of faith that embraces the whole truth. We consider this sound faith because it has its ground in sound doctrine. The chief concern of sound doctrine is to declare the whole counsel of God unto men.

I trust that you can see by this time that we are not indifferent to the opinions of our fellow men, but that we are vitally concerned about the will and the way of our God; and we are yet happiest when we can truly say,

"Have Thine own way, Lord; have Thine own way;

Thou art the potter, I am the clay."

Very sincerely.

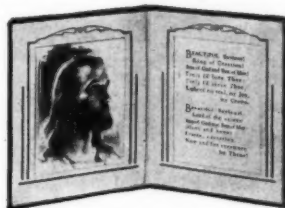
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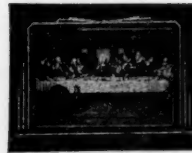
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